

# CLEMSON BOARD SOON TO BORROW

TRUSTEES IN SESSION MEET  
FINANCIAL PROBLEMS—FER-  
TILIZER TAX FALLS OFF  
MAKING REVENUES LESS BY  
LARGE SUM.

Clemson College, July 19.—The regular July meeting of the board of trustees was held Wednesday and Thursday, July 14 and 15. All members were present except former Gov. R. I. Manning, who is in Europe. Owing to the fact that the fertilizer tax is so small, the trustees had many hard financial problems to solve. They made the most economical budget possible and then found it necessary to avail themselves of the privilege given them by the last legislature to borrow \$75,000 before Christmas to help keep the college running until the tax on fertilizers begins to come in next January.

Although there will not likely be an encampment of the corps at the state fair this fall, because of the hard times, the board decided to have the usual exhibit at the fair along with a special exhibit of livestock.

The resignation of Col. J. M. Cummings, commandant, who has been ordered to the school of the line at Ft. Leavenworth, was accepted with great regret. It is not yet known who will be assigned as commandant by the war department.

The board passed resolutions commendatory of the services B. H. Rawl had rendered the college as trustee and expressing regret that his becoming a citizen of California automatically removed him from his trusteeship.

Dr. W. K. Lewis was made director of the live stock sanitary service, a work he has been doing so well for several years. His office will remain in Columbia.

Dr. R. N. Brackett, director of the chemistry department was made chief chemist for the experiment station.

Prof. W. H. Mills was granted a year's leave of absence from the extension service to become coordinator in charge of the federal board students. He will continue his teaching in the agricultural department.

The board gave the faculty permission to add other foreign languages to the curriculum to take the place of some other study. Spanish, French and German will likely be taught.

Provisions were made for establishing a post exchange in the basement under the chapel.

The proposition of the alumni association to award a pin to all students making a high standard of scholarship was approved. Pins will be awarded to those of the several classes who reach the standard, which requires not only high scholarship but also proficiency in at least one department of student activities in the freshman and sophomore year and two in the junior and senior years.

President Riggs made a comprehensive report of the year's work. Following are brief extracts from his reports:

"In all but its financial aspects this session stands out as one of the best, if not the best, during the ten years I have been in the president's office.

"I have never seen better conduct or better spirit on the part of the corps of cadets than we have had this entire season. The same statement might be made with equal emphasis with regard to faculty. Everybody and everything seems to have worked in harmony for the best interest of the college.

"The enrollment reached 847, the second largest figure in the history of the college. A striking feature was the persistence of attendance, the losses during the season being only one-half of the past 11 year average.

"The class work, too, was very much above the average as shown by the following percentage of students, who at the end of the session were required to repeat their classes: Freshmen, 5.5 per cent; sophomores, 4.5 per cent; juniors 2.2 per cent.

"The average of takeovers for the past six years has been: Freshmen,

18.7 per cent; sophomores, 16.4 per cent; juniors, 6.6 per cent.

"The graduation class numbered 120. In respect to loyalty, earnestness and other good qualities, it was one of the best in the history of the college. Under its wise and good president, Cadet Captain G. C. Gilmer, this class had a full share in all of the good things which were brought about during the session of 1920-21.

"The number of applicants from new students for next session, up to July 6, is the largest in the history of the college. The average for the past eight years, during which time our student body has been above the 800 mark, is 118. This year, up to July 6, one month after the close of the session, the number is 147. The largest number of applicants during any previous summer up to the same date was 136, and the attendance that year broke all records. It is to be hoped that the hard times will not prevent any applicant carrying out his intention to enter college.

"The summer school now in progress will reach an attendance of approximately 303 students, this also, being the largest in our history.

"The discipline record of the corps was as good as was its class record. During the entire session only two students were dismissed and three suspended. Ten were required to withdraw because of having exceeded the term of sessional limit of demerits.

"For the session, the average number of men per term to receive no demerits was approximately 32.1 per cent., of the total corps, and the number who received 20 demerits or less, thereby earning eligibility for the honor roll, averaged 64.2 per cent.

"Under these excellent conditions it is not surprising that the college of being one of the four colleges in the fourth corps area by the war department as a distinguished college. The other three being the Citadel, Georgia Tech and Auburn.

"Among the material additions to the college plant in the year covered by this report might be named the 300 acres added to the coast experiment station on coastal plain grass lands; the completion of the small calf and hog barns, completion of the 50 foot addition to the east wing of the engineering building; the enlargement of the postoffice; the new tile floor in the mess hall, and the new improved kitchen, rebuilt after its partial destruction by fire January.

"In the matters of organizations, the creation of the new department of student affairs, with Prof. D. H. Henry in charge, filled well a long felt want. We had the good fortune to select in Capt. J. D. Harcombe a splendid mess officer and in Coach E. J. Stewart, one of the best athletic directors of the country.

"Among the improvements of the year not visible to the eye were the inauguration of the new curriculum, whereby the college courses were greatly extended and enriched; greater cooperation on the part of the cadet officers in maintaining discipline; and a strong growing sentiment among leaders that the inauguration of a thorough going honor system is the most important thing that the student body can do for Clemson.

"A record of the achievements of the past session would be incomplete without mention of the home coming last summer, and the reorganization of the alumni association, the election of Mr. Folger as its secretary, and the promise which this movement holds out for the good athletes increased attendance, and the promotion of all other college movements in which an alumni association can properly assist.

"As stated in my opening resume, the total enrollment, 847, was the second largest in the history of the college. It should be stated, however, that of this number 194 were federal board students, who should not properly be classed as college students in so far as their preparation and courses are concerned. However, these men have to be taught, and in many ways present a more difficult problem than do the regular students."

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## HIGHWAY OFFICIALS WANT SUGGESTIONS

Good Roads Association "Not Wed-  
ded to Any Particular Plan  
As Yet."

Columbia, July 19.—The South Carolina Good Roads association is anxious to receive suggestions from citizens of the state, who wish to see a state system of permanent highways, as to the best method to proceed towards getting it, according to L. D. Jennings, of Sumter, president of the association, who says that the association "is not wedded to any particular plan as yet, but desires to study the situation carefully with a view of agreeing upon something practicable to submit to the people."

A committee will be appointed by President Jennings within the next few days to prepare a definite program to be presented to the members of the association for their approval and then to be presented by the association to the voters of the state. As soon as this program is agreed upon an active campaign will be launched by the association to secure its adoption.

"The association is going to undertake to have the state enter on a road-building program on a good scale," said, President Jennings. "When we consider the programs being carried out by the other states we will see that it is up to our state to get busy. First, I would call attention to North Carolina whose last general assembly provided for a \$50,000,000 bond issue for the construction of permanent roads. This was in addition to several county bond issues. Mecklenburg county having voted a \$2,000,000 bond issue and several 3,600 miles of hard surfaced roads in addition to the heavy mileage of permanent roads which she has had for some time. Maryland is spending \$60,000,000 on its highways; Missouri \$60,000,000 and Arkansas is planning an \$80,000,000 program to build 7,220 miles. Pennsylvania road building program calls for the expenditure of \$125,000,000. Virginia is planning a \$60,000,000 program to build 3,750 miles of road. Mississippi is planning a \$50,000,000 bond issue. Idaho has a \$15,000,000 bond issue while Texas is pushing ahead with a \$150,000,000 bond issue."

"If these states can build permanent highways, why can't South Carolina? Is it necessary that we lay behind? Are not our people as progress as the people of the other states. We have been talking good roads for the last half a century. The time has come to do something and when we go to do it, let's do it on a good scale. Let's don't be content with building a half mile of road in each county. Let's go at it right."

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## CUT THROUGH HEART, LIVES

New York, July 19.—Frank Fari-  
no, 16, of Brooklyn, is recovering to-  
day after his heart was accidentally  
pierced with a knife and then prop-  
ly sewed up.

The boy was working yesterday in a factory when a 17 inch knife with which he was cutting rope slipped. The blade entered his chest, piercing the heart covering and cutting through the heart muscles.

He was hurried to a hospital where surgeons opened his chest wall, took four stitches in the heart muscles and three in the covering.

## ON STEPPING STONES OF THEIR DEAD SELVES

Clemson College, July 18.—Plants obey the injunction of Tennyson by "rising on stepping stones of their dead selves to higher things," says N. E. Winters extension agronomist, who states that each generation of plants lives largely on what was left by preceding plants plus what it adds from the air and the sunshine.

Organic matter is therefore the most valuable constituent of the soil. As it is a residue from former plants, its abundance in a soil forms a record of past treatment and a guide to the future productive power. It is well known that the presence of organic matter benefits both the physical and chemical properties of soils.

Most profit in any business depends upon an abundance of working capital and a rapid "turnover." As soon as a plant is turned into the soil, this capital is attacked by a "wrecking crew" of myriads of microscopic soil organisms that break it down into its component parts and make it ready to be used in building a new plant.

In other words, organic matter is a storehouse in the soil holding 95 percent of the nitrogen, often 80 percent of the phosphoric acid and large amounts of the potash, lime, magnesia, sulphur and other necessary plant food materials in the soil. Decay liberates these materials in available forms for the use of plants and a large part of the value of good drainage and moisture control, liming, cultivation, and fertilization is due to their stimulation of this decay process.

## American Dollar Advances.

Buenos Aires, July 19.—The price of the American dollar, which has been steadily climbing recently, went up seven points on the exchange market yesterday. Telegraphic drafts were, quoted at 157, which is more than fifty per cent above par.

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